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BY COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC

GROWTH/REBUILD IOWA

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 103)

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the organization of the executive branch
- 2 agencies responsible for administering economic development
- 3 programs, making certain properly related changes, and
- 4 including effective date and transition provisions.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 DIVISION I
- 2 IOWA PARTNERSHIP FOR ECONOMIC PROGRESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- 3 AUTHORITY
- 4 Section 1. Section 15.101, Code 2011, is amended by striking
- 5 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 6 15.101 Findings and purpose collaboration described.
- 7 l. The general assembly finds that economic development
- 8 is an important public purpose and that both the public
- 9 and private sectors have a shared interest in fostering the
- 10 economic vitality of the state. Therefore, it is the purpose
- 11 of this subchapter to implement economic development policy in
- 12 the state by means of a collaboration between government and
- 13 the private sector.
- 2. The collaboration shall involve the partnership for
- 15 economic progress, the economic development authority, and
- 16 the economic development corporation, all of which shall work
- 17 together to further economic development policy according to
- 18 the provisions of this subchapter.
- 19 Sec. 2. Section 15.102, Code 2011, is amended by adding the
- 20 following new subsections:
- 21 NEW SUBSECTION. 01. "Authority" means the economic
- 22 development authority created in section 15.105.
- NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. "Chief executive officer" means the
- 24 chief executive officer of the corporation.
- 25 NEW SUBSECTION. 2A. "Corporation" means the economic
- 26 development corporation created pursuant to section 15.107.
- 27 NEW SUBSECTION. 4A. "Financial assistance" means assistance
- 28 provided only from the funds, rights, and assets legally
- 29 available to the authority and includes but is not limited to
- 30 assistance in the form of grants, loans, forgivable loans, and
- 31 royalty payments.
- 32 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. "Partnership" means the partnership for
- 33 economic progress created in section 15.103.
- 34 Sec. 3. Section 15.102, subsections 1 and 4, Code 2011, are
- 35 amended to read as follows:

- 1. "Board" means the Iowa economic development board
- 2 members of the authority appointed by the governor and in whom
- 3 the powers of the authority are vested pursuant to section
- 4 15.105.
- 5 4. "Director" means the director of the department
- 6 authority, appointed pursuant to section 15.106C, or the
- 7 director's designee.
- 8 Sec. 4. Section 15.102, subsection 3, Code 2011, is amended
- 9 by striking the subsection.
- 10 Sec. 5. Section 15.103, Code 2011, is amended by striking
- 11 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 12 15.103 Partnership for economic progress.
- 13 1. The partnership for economic progress is hereby created.
- 14 The partnership shall serve as an advisory body within state
- 15 government and shall function on a continuing basis for the
- 16 study and recommendation of solutions and policy alternatives
- 17 for issues arising in the area of economic development. In
- 18 performing such advisory functions, the partnership shall focus
- 19 on job creation, increasing the income of Iowa families, and on
- 20 enlarging the gross state product.
- 21 2. The powers of the partnership are vested in and shall
- 22 be exercised by seven members to be appointed by the governor
- 23 subject to confirmation by the senate. To the extent possible,
- 24 the governor shall appoint to the membership of the partnership
- 25 persons who are actively employed in the private, for-profit
- 26 sector of the economy or who otherwise have substantial
- 27 expertise in economic development.
- 28 3. Members of the partnership shall be appointed for
- 29 staggered terms of two years beginning and ending as provided
- 30 in section 69.19. A person appointed to fill a vacancy shall
- 31 serve only for the unexpired portion of the term. A member
- 32 is eligible for reappointment. A member of the partnership
- 33 may be removed from office by the governor for misfeasance,
- 34 malfeasance, or willful neglect of duty or other just cause,
- 35 after notice and hearing, unless the notice and hearing is

- 1 expressly waived in writing.
- Four members of the partnership constitute a quorum and
- 3 the affirmative vote of a majority of the appointed members
- 4 is necessary for any action taken by the partnership. The
- 5 majority shall not include any member who has a conflict of
- 6 interest and a statement by a member of a conflict of interest
- 7 shall be conclusive for this purpose. A vacancy in the
- 8 membership does not impair the right of a quorum to exercise
- 9 all rights and perform all duties of the partnership.
- 10 5. Members of the partnership shall receive a per diem as
- 11 described in section 7E.6 for each day spent in performance of
- 12 duties as members and shall be reimbursed for all actual and
- 13 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of duties as
- 14 members.
- 15 6. Members of the partnership shall give bond as required
- 16 for public officers in chapter 64.
- 7. The governor or, if the governor so designates, the
- 18 lieutenant governor shall serve as the chairperson of the
- 19 partnership. Members shall elect a vice chairperson and
- 20 secretary biannually, and other officers as they determine.
- 21 8. Meetings of the partnership shall be held at least
- 22 quarterly and may be held more frequently at the call of the
- 23 chairperson or when four or more members of the partnership so
- 24 request.
- 9. Except for the chairperson of the board of directors
- 26 of the corporation, members of the board of directors of the
- 27 corporation shall not serve as members of the partnership.
- 28 10. Members of the authority board may serve as members of
- 29 the partnership. However, the number of such members shall be
- 30 less than the number that constitutes a quorum of authority
- 31 board members.
- 32 Sec. 6. Section 15.104, Code 2011, is amended by striking
- 33 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 34 15.104 Duties and powers of the partnership.
- 35 The partnership created in section 15.103 shall have the

- 1 following duties and powers:
- To call and hold meetings for the purposes described in
- 3 section 15.103, subsection 1.
- 4 2. To create and maintain records of the partnership's
- 5 activities and recommendations.
- 6 3. To develop a strategic vision for economic development
- 7 in Iowa. The partnership shall submit this vision to the
- 8 authority and the general assembly by January 31 of each year
- 9 for their consideration.
- 10 4. To set annual numerical goals for the authority
- 11 pertaining to the creation of jobs in the state. If such goals
- 12 are not met an explanation of the reasons shall be provided to
- 13 the general assembly.
- 14 Sec. 7. Section 15.105, Code 2011, is amended by striking
- 15 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 16 15.105 Economic development authority.
- 17 l. The economic development authority is created, and
- 18 constituted a public instrumentality and agency of the state
- 19 exercising public and essential governmental functions, to
- 20 undertake programs which implement economic development policy
- 21 in the state, and to undertake certain finance programs.
- 22 a. The powers of the authority are vested in and shall be
- 23 exercised by a board of nine voting members appointed by the
- 24 governor subject to confirmation by the senate. The voting
- 25 members shall be comprised of the following:
- 26 (1) Two members from each United States congressional
- 27 district in the state. If the congressional districts to be
- 28 effective beginning January 2013 have not been established
- 29 in Iowa law, then the governor shall appoint eight members
- 30 representing the geographic diversity of the state.
- 31 (2) One member selected at large.
- 32 b. There shall be four ex officio, nonvoting legislative
- 33 members consisting of the following:
- 34 (1) Two state senators, one appointed by the president of
- 35 the senate after consultation with the majority leader of the

- 1 senate and one appointed by the minority leader of the senate
- 2 from their respective parties.
- 3 (2) Two state representatives, one appointed by the speaker
- 4 and one appointed by the minority leader of the house of
- 5 representatives from their respective parties.
- 6 c. To the extent possible, the governor shall appoint
- 7 persons who are actively employed in the private, for-profit
- 8 sector of the economy or who otherwise have substantial
- 9 expertise in economic development.
- 10 2. Members of the authority shall be appointed for staggered
- 11 terms of four years beginning and ending as provided in section
- 12 69.19. A person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only
- 13 for the unexpired portion of the term. A member is eligible
- 14 for reappointment. A member of the authority may be removed
- 15 from office by the governor for misfeasance, malfeasance, or
- 16 willful neglect of duty or other just cause, after notice and
- 17 hearing, unless the notice and hearing is expressly waived in
- 18 writing. Members of the authority board shall not serve as
- 19 directors of the corporation.
- 20 3. Six members of the authority constitute a quorum, and
- 21 the affirmative vote of a majority of the appointed members is
- 22 necessary for any action taken by the authority. The majority
- 23 shall not include any member who has a conflict of interest
- 24 and a statement by a member of a conflict of interest shall be
- 25 conclusive for this purpose. A vacancy in the membership does
- 26 not impair the right of a quorum to exercise all rights and
- 27 perform all duties of the authority.
- 28 4. Members of the authority are entitled to receive a
- 29 per diem as specified in section 7E.6 for each day spent in
- 30 performance of duties as members, and shall be reimbursed for
- 31 all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance
- 32 of duties as members.
- 33 5. Members of the authority and the director shall give bond
- 34 as required for public officers in chapter 64.
- 35 6. Meetings of the authority shall be held at the call of

- 1 the chairperson or when two members so request.
- Members shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson
- 3 annually, and other officers as they determine, but the
- 4 director shall serve as secretary to the authority.
- 8. The net earnings of the authority, beyond that
- 6 necessary to implement the public purposes and programs herein
- 7 authorized, shall not inure to the benefit of any person
- 8 other than the state. Upon termination of the existence of
- 9 the authority, title to all property owned by the authority,
- 10 including any such net earnings of the authority, shall vest in
- 11 the state. The state reserves the right at any time to alter,
- 12 amend, repeal, or otherwise change the structure, organization,
- 13 programs, or activities of the authority, including the power
- 14 to terminate the authority, except that no law shall impair
- 15 the obligation of any contract or contracts entered into by
- 16 the authority to the extent that any such law would contravene
- 17 Article I, section 21, of the Constitution of the State of
- 18 Iowa, or Article I, section 10, of the Constitution of the
- 19 United States.
- 9. Members of the authority, or persons acting on behalf
- 21 of the authority while acting within the scope of their agency
- 22 or employment, are not subject to personal liability resulting
- 23 from carrying out the powers and duties in this chapter.
- 24 10. The authority shall be the successor entity to the
- 25 economic development board and the department of economic
- 26 development which are hereby eliminated. The authority
- 27 shall assume all duties and responsibilities previously
- 28 assigned to the economic development board and the department
- 29 of economic development to the extent that such duties and
- 30 responsibilities are not otherwise assigned by the provisions
- 31 of this subchapter.
- 32 Sec. 8. Section 15.106, Code 2011, is amended by striking
- 33 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 34 15.106 Conflicts of interest.
- 35 l. a. If a member or employee of the authority other than

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- 1 the director of the authority has an interest, either direct or
- 2 indirect, in a contract to which the authority is, or is to be,
- 3 a party, the interest shall be disclosed to the authority in
- 4 writing and shall be set forth in the minutes of the authority.
- 5 b. The member or employee having the interest shall not
- 6 participate in any action of the authority with respect to
- 7 that contract. A violation of a provision of this subsection
- 8 is misconduct in office under section 721.2. However, a
- 9 resolution of the authority is not invalid because of a vote
- 10 cast by a member in violation of this subsection or of section
- 11 15.105, subsection 3, unless the vote was decisive in the
- 12 passage of the resolution.
- 13 c. For the purposes of this subsection, "action of the
- 14 authority with respect to that contract" means only an action
- 15 directly affecting a separate contract, and does not include an
- 16 action which benefits the general public or which affects all
- 17 or a substantial portion of the contracts included in a program
- 18 of the authority.
- 19 2. The director shall not have an interest in a bank or
- 20 other financial institution in which the funds of the authority
- 21 are, or are to be, deposited or which is, or is to be, acting
- 22 as trustee or paying agent under a trust indenture to which
- 23 the authority is a party. The director shall not receive,
- 24 in addition to fixed salary or compensation, any money or
- 25 valuable thing, either directly or indirectly, or through any
- 26 substantial interest in any other corporation or business unit,
- 27 for negotiating, procuring, recommending, or aiding in any
- 28 purchase or sale of property, or loan, made by the authority,
- 29 nor shall the director be pecuniarily interested, either as
- 30 principal, coprincipal, agent, or beneficiary, either directly
- 31 or indirectly, or through any substantial interest in any other
- 32 corporation or business unit, in any such purchase, sale, or
- 33 loan.
- 34 3. Not more than one principal executive, employee, or other
- 35 representative from a business or its affiliates may serve

- 1 concurrently on the authority board, the board of directors
- 2 of the corporation, or any combination thereof. For purposes
- 3 of this subsection, "affiliate" means the same as defined in
- 4 section 423.1.
- 5 Sec. 9. NEW SECTION. 15.106A General powers of the
- 6 authority.
- 7 l. The authority has any and all powers necessary and
- 8 convenient to carry out its purposes and duties and exercise
- 9 its specific powers, including but not limited to the power to:
- 10 a. Sue and be sued in its own name.
- 11 b. Have and alter a corporate seal.
- 12 c. Make and alter bylaws for its management consistent with
- 13 the provisions of this chapter.
- 14 d. Make and execute agreements, contracts, and other
- 15 instruments of any and all types on such terms and conditions
- 16 as the authority may find necessary or convenient to the
- 17 purposes of the authority, with any public or private entity,
- 18 including but not limited to contracts for goods and services.
- 19 All political subdivisions, other public agencies, and state
- 20 departments and agencies may enter into contracts and otherwise
- 21 cooperate with the authority.
- 22 e. Adopt by rule pursuant to chapter 17A procedures relating
- 23 to competitive bidding, including the identification of those
- 24 circumstances under which competitive bidding by the authority,
- 25 either formally or informally, shall be required. In any
- 26 bidding process, the authority may administer its own bidding
- 27 and procurement or may utilize the services of the department
- 28 of administrative services or any other agency. Except when
- 29 such rules apply, the authority and all contracts made by it in
- 30 carrying out its public and essential governmental functions
- 31 with respect to any of its programs shall be exempt from the
- 32 provisions and requirements of all laws or rules of the state
- 33 which require competitive bids in connection with the letting
- 34 of such contracts.
- 35 f. Acquire, hold, improve, mortgage, lease, and dispose of

- 1 real and personal property, including but not limited to the
- 2 power to sell at public or private sale, with or without public
- 3 bidding, any such property, or other obligation held by it.
- 4 g. Procure insurance against any loss in connection with its
- 5 operations and property interests.
- 6 h. Accept appropriations, gifts, grants, loans, or other
- 7 aid from public or private entities. A record of all gifts or
- 8 grants, stating the type, amount, and donor, shall be clearly
- 9 set out in the authority's annual report along with the record
- 10 of other receipts.
- 11 i. Provide to public and private entities technical
- 12 assistance and counseling related to the authority's purposes.
- 13 j. In cooperation with other local, state, or federal
- 14 governmental agencies, conduct research studies, develop
- 15 estimates of unmet economic development needs, gather and
- 16 compile data useful to facilitating decision making, and enter
- 17 into agreements to carry out programs within or without the
- 18 state which the authority finds to be consistent with the goals
- 19 of the authority.
- 20 k. Enter into agreements with the federal government,
- 21 tribes, and other states to undertake economic development
- 22 activities in the state of Iowa.
- 23 1. Own or acquire intellectual property rights including
- 24 but not limited to copyrights, trademarks, service marks, and
- 25 patents, and enforce the rights of the authority with respect
- 26 to such intellectual property rights.
- 27 m. Make, alter, interpret, and repeal rules consistent with
- 28 the provisions of this chapter, and subject to chapter 17A.
- 29 n. Form committees or panels as necessary to facilitate the
- 30 authority's duties. Committees or panels formed pursuant to
- 31 this paragraph shall be subject to the provisions of chapters
- 32 21 and 22.
- 33 o. Establish one or more funds within the state treasury
- 34 under the control of the authority. Notwithstanding section
- 35 8.33 or 12C.7, or any other provision to the contrary, moneys

- 1 invested by the treasurer of state pursuant to this subsection
- 2 shall not revert to the general fund of the state and interest
- 3 accrued on the moneys shall be moneys of the authority and
- 4 shall not be credited to the general fund. The nonreversion of
- 5 moneys allowed under this paragraph does not apply to moneys
- 6 appropriated to the authority by the general assembly.
- 7 p. Select projects to receive assistance by the exercise of
- 8 diligence and care.
- 9 q. Exercise generally all powers typically exercised by
- 10 private enterprises engaged in business pursuits unless the
- ll exercise of such a power would violate the terms of this
- 12 chapter or the Constitution of the State of Iowa.
- 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any purchase
- 14 or lease of real property, other than on a temporary basis,
- 15 when necessary in order to implement the programs of the
- 16 authority or protect the investments of the authority, shall
- 17 require written notice from the authority to the government
- 18 oversight standing committees of the general assembly and the
- 19 prior approval of the executive council.
- 20 3. The powers enumerated in this section are cumulative of
- 21 and in addition to those powers enumerated elsewhere in this
- 22 chapter and such powers do not limit or restrict any other
- 23 powers of the authority.
- 24 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
- 25 authority may elect to utilize any or all of the goods or
- 26 services available from other state agencies in the conduct
- 27 of its affairs. Departments, boards, commissions, or other
- 28 agencies of the state shall provide reasonable assistance and
- 29 services to the authority upon the request of the director.
- 30 Sec. 10. NEW SECTION. 15.106B Specific program powers.
- 31 l. In addition to the general powers described in section
- 32 15.106A, the authority shall have all powers convenient and
- 33 necessary to carry out its programs.
- 34 2. For purposes of this section, "powers convenient and
- 35 necessary" includes but is not limited to the power to:

- 1 a. Undertake more extensive research and discussion of
- 2 the issues identified by the partnership in order to better
- 3 formulate and implement state economic development policy.
- 4 b. Establish a nonprofit corporation pursuant to section
- 5 15.107, for the purpose of receiving and disbursing funds from
- 6 public or private sources to be used to further the overall
- 7 development and economic well-being of the state.
- 8 c. Provide export documentation to Iowa businesses that are
- 9 exporting goods and services if no other government entity is
- 10 providing export documentation in a form deemed necessary for
- 11 international commerce.
- 12 d. (1) Pursuant to a contract executed between the
- 13 authority and the corporation, the authority may delegate to
- 14 the corporation the performance of the following functions on
- 15 behalf of the authority:
- 16 (a) Marketing and promotional activities.
- 17 (b) Policy research.
- 18 (c) Economic analysis.
- 19 (d) Expansion of international markets for Iowa-produced
- 20 or Iowa-based products.
- 21 (e) Consulting services. However, such consulting
- 22 services shall not be provided in relation to an applicant for
- 23 financial assistance under any of the programs administered
- 24 by the authority or to persons who have an interest in or any
- 25 financial connection to the corporation.
- 26 (2) A contract executed pursuant to this paragraph "d"
- 27 shall not delegate an essential government function, including
- 28 the budgetary or personnel management responsibilities of the
- 29 authority, and shall not delegate any sovereign power of the
- 30 state.
- 31 (3) The terms of a contract executed pursuant to this
- 32 paragraph "d" may provide for compensation at the fair market
- 33 value of the services to be provided under the contract.
- 34 (4) Notwithstanding section 8A.311 and any rules
- 35 promulgated thereunder by the department of administrative

- 1 services, the authority may enter into contracts with the
- 2 corporation for the sole source procurement of services. In
- 3 entering into such sole source contracts, the authority shall
- 4 negotiate a fair and reasonable price for the services and
- 5 shall thoroughly document the circumstances of such sole source
- 6 procurements.
- 7 3. The authority may enter into contracts on behalf of
- 8 the Iowa innovation council established in section 15.117A.
- 9 Such contracts may delegate the performance of functions to
- 10 the corporation only if the contracts meet the requirements of
- 11 subsection 2, paragraph "d".
- 12 Sec. 11. NEW SECTION. 15.106C Director responsibilities.
- 13 1. The board shall appoint a director of the authority,
- 14 who shall serve at the pleasure of the authority board. The
- 15 director shall be selected primarily for administrative ability
- 16 and knowledge in the field and without regard to political
- 17 affiliation.
- 18 2. The director shall not, directly or indirectly, exert
- 19 influence to induce any other officers or employees of the
- 20 state to adopt a political view or to favor a political
- 21 candidate for office. The director shall ensure that the
- 22 authority is operated free from political influence.
- 23 3. The director shall advise the authority on matters
- 24 relating to economic development and act on the authority's
- 25 behalf to carry out all directives from the authority board in
- 26 regard to the operation of the authority.
- 27 4. The director shall designate certain employees as
- 28 key professional personnel and shall classify and fix
- 29 the compensation of the personnel so designated. The
- 30 director shall not designate more than five employees as key
- 31 professional personnel.
- 32 5. The director shall employ personnel as necessary to
- 33 carry out the duties and responsibilities of the authority.
- 34 For nonprofessional employees, employment shall be consistent
- 35 with chapter 8A, subchapter IV. The employment of professional

- 1 employees shall be exempt from the provisions of chapter 8A,
- 2 subchapter IV, and chapter 20.
- 3 6. A person shall not be employed concurrently by both the
- 4 authority and the corporation.
- 5 7. A person leaving employment with the authority shall not
- 6 be employed by the corporation until a period of two years has
- 7 passed. A person leaving employment with the corporation shall
- 8 not be employed by the authority until a period of two years
- 9 has passed.
- 10 Sec. 12. NEW SECTION. 15.106E Corporation restricted by
- 11 rules.
- 12 The authority shall adopt rules that prevent favoritism
- 13 and pay-to-play tactics for companies doing business with the
- 14 corporation.
- 15 Sec. 13. NEW SECTION. 15.106E Review of authority
- 16 operations.
- 17 Commencing July 1, 2014, the general assembly shall conduct a
- 18 review of the authority and its activities and shall issue a
- 19 report with findings and recommendations by January 1, 2015.
- 20 Sec. 14. Section 15.107, Code 2011, is amended by striking
- 21 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 22 15.107 Economic development corporation.
- 23 1. The authority shall establish the economic development
- 24 corporation as a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter
- 25 504 and qualifying under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal
- 26 Revenue Code as an organization exempt from taxation. Unless
- 27 otherwise provided in this subchapter, the corporation is
- 28 subject to the provisions of chapter 504. The corporation
- 29 shall be established for the purpose of receiving and
- 30 disbursing funds from public or private sources to be used to
- 31 further the overall development and economic well-being of the
- 32 state.
- 33 2. The corporation shall collaborate with the authority as
- 34 described in this subchapter, but the corporation shall not
- 35 be considered, in whole or in part, an agency, department, or

- 1 administrative unit of the state.
- 2 a. The corporation shall not receive appropriations from the 3 general assembly.
- 4 b. The corporation shall not be required to comply with
- 5 any requirements that apply to a state agency, department, or
- 6 administrative unit and shall not exercise any sovereign power
- 7 of the state.
- 8 c. The corporation does not have authority to pledge the
- 9 credit of the state, and the state shall not be liable for
- 10 the debts or obligations of the corporation. All debts and
- 11 obligations of the corporation shall be payable solely from the
- 12 corporation's funds.
- 3. a. The corporation shall be established so that
- 14 donations and bequests to it qualify as tax deductible under
- 15 state income tax laws and under section 501(c)(3) of the
- 16 Internal Revenue Code.
- 17 b. The corporation shall be established for the purpose
- 18 of expanding economic development opportunities in the state
- 19 of Iowa and for Iowa businesses operating in foreign markets
- 20 in connection with the public purpose of economic development
- 21 in Iowa. The corporation may effectuate this purpose by
- 22 performing certain functions delegated to it by the authority
- 23 pursuant to section 15.106B.
- 24 4. The articles of the corporation shall provide for its
- 25 governance and its efficient management. In providing for its
- 26 governance, the articles of the corporation shall address the
- 27 following:
- 28 a. A board of directors to govern the corporation which
- 29 shall be comprised of seven members initially appointed by the
- 30 governor and thereafter selected by a majority vote of the
- 31 board of directors of the corporation. A member of the board
- 32 of directors shall not serve as a member of the board of the
- 33 authority.
- 34 b. The appointment of a chief executive officer by the board
- 35 to manage the corporation's daily operations.

- 1 c. The delegation of such powers and responsibilities
- 2 to the chief executive officer as may be necessary for the
- 3 corporation's efficient operation.
- 4 d. The employment of personnel necessary for the efficient
- 5 performance of the duties assigned to the corporation. All
- 6 such personnel shall be considered employees of a private,
- 7 nonprofit corporation and shall be exempt from the personnel
- 8 requirements imposed on state agencies, departments, and
- 9 administrative units.
- 10 e. The financial operations of the corporation including the
- 11 authority to receive and expend funds from public and private
- 12 sources and to use its property, money, or other resources for
- 13 the purpose of the corporation.
- 14 5. The board of directors of the corporation and the chief
- 15 executive officer shall act to ensure all of the following:
- 16 a. That the corporation review and, at the board's
- 17 direction, implement the strategic plan developed by the
- 18 partnership pursuant to section 15.104.
- 19 b. That the corporation prepares an annual budget that
- 20 includes funding levels for the corporation's activities and
- 21 that shows sufficient moneys are available to support those
- 22 activities.
- 23 c. That the corporation prepares an annual report for the
- 24 authority on the corporation's activities no later than January
- 25 31 of each year.
- 26 d. That the corporation prepares or causes to be prepared a
- 27 financial audit conducted by a certified public accountant in
- 28 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- 29 e. That the corporation annually completes and files an
- 30 information return as described in section 422.15 and that the
- 31 information return is submitted to the general assembly.
- 32 Sec. 15. NEW SECTION. 15.107A Duties and responsibilities
- 33 of the corporation.
- 34 1. The corporation's board of directors and the chief
- 35 executive officer shall determine the activities and priorities

- 1 of the corporation within the general parameters of the duties
- 2 and responsibilities described in this section and in this
- 3 subchapter.
- 4 2. The corporation shall, to the extent its articles so
- 5 provide and within its public purpose, do all of the following
- 6 with the purpose of increasing innovation in Iowa's economy and
- 7 bringing more innovative businesses to the state:
- 8 a. Consult with the Iowa innovation council in the creation
- 9 of a comprehensive strategic plan as described in section
- 10 15.117A, subsection 6, paragraph "a".
- 11 b. Act as an innovation intermediary by aligning local
- 12 technologies, assets, and resources to work together on
- 13 advancing innovation.
- 14 c. Perform any functions delegated by the authority
- 15 pursuant to section 15.106B. However, the corporation shall
- 16 not subcontract the performance of a function delegated to the
- 17 corporation by contract with the authority.
- 18 d. Encourage, stimulate, and support the development and
- 19 expansion of the state's economy.
- 20 e. Develop and implement effective marketing and promotional
- 21 programs.
- 22 f. Provide pertinent information to prospective new
- 23 businesses.
- 24 g. Formulate and pursue programs for encouraging the
- 25 location of new businesses in the state and for retaining and
- 26 fostering the growth of existing businesses.
- 27 h. Solicit the involvement of the private sector, including
- 28 support and funding, for economic development initiatives in
- 29 the state.
- 30 i. Coordinate the economic development efforts of other
- 31 state and local entities in an effort to achieve policy
- 32 consistency.
- j. Collect and maintain any economic data and research that
- 34 is relevant to the formulation and implementation of effective
- 35 policies.

- 1 k. Cooperate with and provide information to state agencies,
- 2 local governments, community colleges, and the board of
- 3 regents on economic development matters, including the areas of
- 4 workforce development and job training.
- 5 Sec. 16. NEW SECTION. 15.107B Annual reporting
- 6 requirements.
- 7 1. On or before January 31 of each year, the director shall
- 8 submit to the authority board a report that describes the
- 9 activities of the authority during the preceding fiscal year.
- 10 The report may include such information as the director deems
- ll necessary or as otherwise required by law.
- 12 2. The report submitted pursuant to subsection 1 shall at a
- 13 minimum include the following:
- 14 a. A summary of the report filed by December 1 of each year
- 15 by the department of administrative services with the authority
- 16 regarding targeted small business procurement activities
- 17 conducted during the previous fiscal year.
- 18 b. A summary of the report filed by December 1 of each year
- 19 by the department of inspections and appeals with the authority
- 20 regarding certifications of targeted small businesses. At a
- 21 minimum, the summary shall include the number of certified
- 22 targeted small businesses for the previous year, the increase
- 23 or decrease in that number during the previous fiscal year
- 24 compared to the prior fiscal year, and the number of targeted
- 25 small businesses that have been decertified in the previous
- 26 fiscal year.
- 27 c. A summary of the internal report compiled by December
- 28 1 of each year by the authority regarding the targeted small
- 29 business financial assistance program. At a minimum, the
- 30 summary shall contain the number of loans, loan guarantees,
- 31 and grants distributed during the previous fiscal year, the
- 32 individual amounts provided to targeted small businesses during
- 33 the previous fiscal year, and how many financial assistance
- 34 awards to targeted small businesses were the subject of
- 35 repayment or collection activity during the previous fiscal

1 year.

- 2 d. A list of the procurement goals established pursuant to
- 3 section 73.16, subsection 2, and compiled by the authority's
- 4 targeted small business marketing and compliance manager and
- 5 the performance of each agency in meeting the goals. The
- 6 performance of each agency shall be determined based upon the
- 7 reports required pursuant to section 73.16, subsection 2.
- 8 Sec. 17. NEW SECTION. 15.107C Oversight of corporation.
- 9 1. In performing delegated functions pursuant to section
- 10 15.107A or when engaged in activities that utilize public
- 11 funding, the corporation shall comply with the provisions of
- 12 this section.
- 2. a. The corporation shall submit an annual report to the
- 14 governor, general assembly, and the auditor of state by January
- 15 15. The report shall include the corporation's operations and
- 16 activities during the prior fiscal year to the extent that such
- 17 operations and activities pertain to the functions delegated
- 18 to the corporation by the authority, as provided in sections
- 19 15.106B and 15.107A.
- 20 b. The report shall describe how the operations and
- 21 activities serve the interests of the state and further
- 22 economic development.
- 23 c. An annual audit of the corporation performed by a
- 24 certified public accountant shall be filed with the office of
- 25 auditor of state and made available to the public.
- 26 3. The deliberations or meetings of the board of directors
- 27 of the corporation that pertain to the performance of delegated
- 28 functions or activities that utilize public funding shall be
- 29 conducted in accordance with chapter 21.
- 30 4. All of the following shall be subject to chapter 22:
- 31 a. Minutes of the meetings conducted in accordance with
- 32 subsection 3.
- 33 b. All records pertaining to the performance by the
- 34 corporation of delegated functions or activities that utilize
- 35 public funding.

- 1 5. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section to the
- 2 contrary, if the corporation receives confidential information
- 3 from the authority under the process described in section
- 4 15.118, the corporation shall comply with the provisions of
- 5 section 15.118 in the same manner as the authority.
- 6 Sec. 18. Section 15.108, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 7 2011, is amended by striking the paragraph.
- 8 Sec. 19. Section 15.117A, subsection 6, paragraph a, Code
- 9 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 10 a. Create a comprehensive strategic plan for implementing
- 11 specific policies that further the purpose of the council
- 12 as described in subsection 5. In creating the plan and
- 13 implementing such policies, the council may consult with the
- 14 corporation established pursuant to section 15.107.
- 15 Sec. 20. REPEAL. Sections 15E.11, 15E.14, 15E.15, and
- 16 15E.16, Code 2011, are repealed.
- 17 Sec. 21. CONTINUING VALIDITY OF DEPARTMENT RULES.
- 18 1. All rules promulgated by the department of economic
- 19 development shall be valid and enforceable after the
- 20 elimination of the department as rules promulgated by the
- 21 economic development authority.
- 22 2. As soon as practicable, the authority shall adopt revised
- 23 rules issued under its own rulemaking authority.
- 24 Sec. 22. TRANSITION OF EMPLOYEES.
- 25 1. All employees of the department of economic development
- 26 shall be considered employees of the economic development
- 27 authority upon the elimination of the former and creation of
- 28 the latter.
- 29 2. Such employees shall suffer no loss in years served,
- 30 sick leave and vacation time accrued, or other benefits of
- 31 their current employment upon transition to employment with the
- 32 authority.
- 33 3. All employees of the department transitioning to
- 34 employment with the authority shall be considered employees
- 35 for purposes of chapter 97B and may elect to remain a covered

- 1 employee or to file an optional exclusion from membership as
- 2 provided in section 97B.42A.
- 3 Sec. 23. CONTINUATION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.
- 4 l. Any moneys remaining in any account or fund under the
- 5 control of the department of economic development on the
- 6 effective date of this Act and relating to the provisions of
- 7 this Act shall be transferred to a comparable fund or account
- 8 under the control of the economic development authority for
- 9 such purposes. Notwithstanding section 8.33, the moneys
- 10 transferred in accordance with this subsection shall not revert
- 11 to the account or fund from which appropriated or transferred.
- 12 2. Any license, permit, or contract issued or entered into
- 13 by the department of economic development relating to the
- 14 provisions of this Act in effect on the effective date of this
- 15 Act shall continue in full force and effect pending transfer
- 16 of such licenses, permits, or contracts to the economic
- 17 development authority.
- 18 3. Financial assistance awards made or provided for
- 19 in agreements entered into under the Iowa values fund and
- 20 financial assistance program pursuant to the provisions of
- 21 chapter 15G prior to the effective date of this Act shall
- 22 continue as provided in such agreements. Such agreements shall
- 23 be administered by the economic development authority according
- 24 to the provisions of chapter 15G.
- 25 4. Federal funds utilized by the director of the department
- 26 of economic development prior to the effective date of this Act
- 27 to employ personnel necessary for the administration of the
- 28 department's programs shall be applied to and be available for
- 29 the transfer of such personnel from the department of economic
- 30 development to the economic development authority.
- 31 DIVISION II
- 32 MISCELLANEOUS PROGRAM CHANGES
- 33 Sec. 24. Section 10B.5, subsection 2, Code 2011, is amended
- 34 to read as follows:
- 35 2. Information provided in reports required in this chapter

- 1 is a confidential record as provided in section 22.7. The
- 2 attorney general may have access to the reports, and may use
- 3 information in the reports in any action to enforce state law,
- 4 including but not limited to chapters 9H, and 9I, and 10C.
- 5 The reports shall be made available to members of the general
- 6 assembly and appropriate committees of the general assembly
- 7 in order to determine the extent that agricultural land is
- 8 held in this state by corporations and other business and
- 9 foreign entities and the effect of such land ownership upon the
- 10 economy of this state. The secretary of state shall assist any
- 11 committee of the general assembly studying these issues.
- 12 Sec. 25. Section 15G.101, subsection 10, Code 2011, is
- 13 amended to read as follows:
- 14 10. "Fund" means the grow Iowa values economic development
- 15 fund created in section 15G.111.
- 16 Sec. 26. Section 15G.111, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 17 paragraph 1, Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 18 A grow Iowa values An economic development fund is created
- 19 in the state treasury under the control of the department of
- 20 economic development authority consisting of the following:
- 21 Sec. 27. Section 15G.112, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
- 22 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 23 a. The department shall establish and administer a grow Iowa
- 24 values an economic development financial assistance program for
- 25 purposes of providing financial assistance from the fund to
- 26 applicants. The financial assistance shall be provided from
- 27 moneys credited to the grow Iowa values economic development
- 28 fund and not otherwise obligated or allocated pursuant to
- 29 section 15G.111.
- 30 Sec. 28. NEW SECTION. 15H.1A Definitions.
- 31 For purposes of this chapter, unless the context otherwise
- 32 requires:
- 33 1. "Authority" means the economic development authority
- 34 created in section 15.105.
- 35 2. "Director" means the director of the authority.

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- 1 Sec. 29. Section 15H.2, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2011, are
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- The governor shall establish the Iowa commission on
- 4 volunteer service which shall be part of the governor's office
- 5 is created within the authority. The governor shall appoint
- 6 the commission's members. The director may employ personnel
- 7 as necessary to carry out the duties and responsibilities of
- 8 the commission.
- 9 2. The mission of the commission is to advise and assist
- 10 in the development and implementation of a comprehensive,
- 11 statewide plan for promoting volunteer involvement and citizen
- 12 participation in Iowa, as well as to serve as the state's
- 13 liaison to national and state organizations which support the
- 14 commission's mission. The commission shall also carry out any
- 15 duties and responsibilities described in the National Community
- 16 Service Trust Act of 1993 or any related state or federal
- 17 legislation.
- 18 Sec. 30. Section 15H.3, subsection 1, Code 2011, is amended
- 19 by adding the following new paragraph:
- 20 NEW PARAGRAPH. k. Additional ex officio members selected by
- 21 the commission to the extent that they are not in conflict with
- 22 the provisions of the National Community Service Trust Act of
- 23 1993 or any related state or federal legislation.
- 24 Sec. 31. Section 15H.3, subsection 6, Code 2011, is amended
- 25 to read as follows:
- 26 6. The chairperson of the commission shall be selected by
- 27 the governor and serve at the governor's discretion members of
- 28 the commission.
- 29 Sec. 32. Section 15H.4, subsection 1, Code 2011, is amended
- 30 to read as follows:
- 31 1. The governor's office authority shall serve as the lead
- 32 agency for administration of the commission. The authority
- 33 may consult with the department of education, the state board
- 34 of regents, and the department of workforce development, and
- 35 the department of economic development shall provide for any

- 1 additional administrative support as necessary to fulfill the
- 2 duties of the commission. All other state agencies, at the
- 3 request of the authority, shall provide assistance to the
- 4 commission to ensure a fully coordinated state effort for
- 5 promoting national and community service.
- 6 Sec. 33. Section 16.6, Code 2011, is amended by adding the
- 7 following new subsection:
- 8 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. Notwithstanding subsections 1 through
- 9 4, for purposes of the Iowa economic development bond bank
- 10 program described in sections 16.102 through 16.106, the water
- 11 pollution control works and drinking water facilities financing
- 12 program described in sections 16.131 through 16.135, and the
- 13 unsewered community revolving loan program described in section
- 14 16.141, the executive director shall be the director of the
- 15 economic development authority created in section 15.105.
- 16 Sec. 34. Section 175.37, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 17 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 18 a. Be a person who may acquire or otherwise obtain or lease
- 19 agricultural land in this state pursuant to chapter 9H or 9I.
- 20 However, the taxpayer must not be a person who may acquire
- 21 or otherwise obtain or lease agricultural land exclusively
- 22 because of an exception provided in one of those chapters or in
- 23 a provision of another chapter of this Code including but not
- 24 limited to chapter 10, 10C, 10D, or 501, or section 15E.207.
- 25 Sec. 35. REPEAL. Chapter 10C, Code 2011, is repealed.
- 26 DIVISION III
- 27 OFFICE OF ENERGY INDEPENDENCE TRANSFERRED
- 28 Sec. 36. Section 11.5B, subsection 15, Code 2011, is amended
- 29 by striking the subsection.
- 30 Sec. 37. Section 15H.6, subsection 1, Code 2011, is amended
- 31 to read as follows:
- The Iowa commission on volunteer service, in
- 33 collaboration with the department of natural resources, the
- 34 department of workforce development, the office of energy
- 35 independence, and the utilities board of the department of

- 1 commerce, shall establish an Iowa green corps program. The
- 2 commission shall work with the collaborating agencies and
- 3 nonprofit agencies in developing a strategy for attracting
- 4 additional financial resources for the program from other
- 5 sources which may include but are not limited to utilities,
- 6 private sector, and local, state, and federal government
- 7 funding sources. The financial resources received shall be
- 8 credited to the community programs account created pursuant to
- 9 section 15H.5.
- 10 Sec. 38. Section 22.7, subsection 60, Code 2011, is amended
- ll by striking the subsection.
- 12 Sec. 39. Section 103A.8B, Code 2011, is amended to read as
- 13 follows:
- 14 103A.8B Sustainable design or green building standards.
- 15 The commissioner, after consulting with and receiving
- 16 recommendations from the department of natural resources
- 17 and the office of energy independence, shall adopt rules
- 18 pursuant to chapter 17A specifying standards and requirements
- 19 for sustainable design and construction based upon or
- 20 incorporating nationally recognized ratings, certifications,
- 21 or classification systems, and procedures relating to
- 22 documentation of compliance. The standards and requirements
- 23 shall be incorporated into the state building code established
- 24 in section 103A.7, but in lieu of general applicability shall
- 25 apply to construction projects only if such applicability is
- 26 expressly authorized by statute, or as established by another
- 27 state agency by rule.
- 28 Sec. 40. Section 268.6, subsection 2, Code 2011, is amended
- 29 to read as follows:
- 30 2. The university is encouraged to cooperate with
- 31 agricultural and energy efficiency advocates and governmental
- 32 entities in administering the program, including the office of
- 33 energy independence established pursuant to section 469.2.
- 34 Sec. 41. Section 470.1, Code 2011, is amended by adding the
- 35 following new subsection:

- 1 NEW SUBSECTION. 01. "Authority" means the economic
- 2 development authority created in section 15.105.
- 3 Sec. 42. Section 470.1, subsection 2, Code 2011, is amended
- 4 to read as follows:
- 5 2. "Director" means the director of the office of energy
- 6 independence economic development authority.
- 7 Sec. 43. Section 470.1, subsection 8, Code 2011, is amended
- 8 by striking the subsection.
- 9 Sec. 44. Section 473.1, Code 2011, is amended by adding the
- 10 following new subsection:
- 11 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. "Authority" means the economic
- 12 development authority created in section 15.105.
- 13 Sec. 45. Section 473.1, subsection 3, Code 2011, is amended
- 14 to read as follows:
- 15 3. "Director" means the director of the office authority or
- 16 a designee.
- 17 Sec. 46. Section 473.1, subsection 5, Code 2011, is amended
- 18 by striking the subsection.
- 19 Sec. 47. REPEAL. Section 455B.851, Code 2011, is repealed.
- 20 Sec. 48. REPEAL. Chapter 469, Code 2011, is repealed.
- 21 Sec. 49. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE.
- 22 1. The Code editor is directed to change the words "office
- 23 of energy independence" to "economic development authority"
- 24 in Code sections 7D.34, 7D.35, 8A.362, 72.5, 103A.8, 103A.27,
- 25 159A.3, 159A.6B, 266.39C, 272C.2, 279.44, 323A.2, 441.21,
- 26 476.6, and 476.63.
- 27 2. The Code editor is directed to change the word "office"
- 28 to "authority" in Code sections 470.3, 470.7, 473.7, 473.8,
- 29 473.10, 473.13A, 473.15, 473.19, 473.19A, 473.20, 473.20A, and
- 30 473.41.
- 31 Sec. 50. TRANSITION PROVISIONS CONTINUATION OF GRANTS.
- 32 1. Any moneys remaining in any account or fund under the
- 33 control of the office of energy independence on the effective
- 34 date of this Act relative to the provisions of this Act
- 35 shall be transferred to a comparable fund or account under

- 1 the control of the economic development authority for such
- 2 purposes. Notwithstanding section 8.33, the moneys transferred
- 3 in accordance with this subsection shall not revert to the
- 4 account or fund from which appropriated or transferred.
- 5 2. Any license, permit, or contract issued or entered into
- 6 by the office of energy independence relating to the provisions
- 7 of this Act in effect on the effective date of this Act shall
- 8 continue in full force and effect pending transfer of such
- 9 licenses, permits, or contracts to the authority.
- 3. Grants or loans awarded from the Iowa power fund pursuant
- 11 to section 469.9 prior to the effective date of this Act shall
- 12 continue as provided by the terms of the grants or loans and
- 13 shall be administered by the authority.
- 4. Federal funds utilized by the director of the office
- 15 of energy independence prior to the effective date of this
- 16 Act to administer the provisions of a federal grant under the
- 17 provisions of this Act shall be applicable to the authority for
- 18 the same purposes.
- 19 Sec. 51. TRANSITION PROVISIONS EMERGENCY
- 20 RULEMAKING. Not later than July 1, 2011, the economic
- 21 development authority shall adopt administrative rules
- 22 previously adopted by the office of energy independence
- 23 relative to the provisions of this Act in existence on the
- 24 effective date of this Act by emergency rulemaking pursuant
- 25 to section 17A.4, subsection 3, and section 17A.5, subsection
- 26 2, paragraph "b". The rules shall be effective immediately
- 27 upon filing unless a later date is specified in the rules.
- 28 Any rules adopted in accordance with this section shall also
- 29 be published as a notice of intended action as provided in
- 30 section 17A.4. Any rule, regulation, form, order, or directive
- 31 promulgated by the office relative to the provisions of
- 32 this Act shall continue in full force and effect until such
- 33 emergency rules are adopted.
- 34 Sec. 52. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. The sections of this
- 35 division of this Act providing for emergency rulemaking,

- 1 and repealing section 455B.851, being deemed of immediate
- 2 importance, take effect upon enactment.
- 3 DIVISION IV
- 4 CONFORMING CHANGES
- 5 Sec. 53. Section 7E.5, subsection 1, paragraph g, Code 2011,
- 6 is amended to read as follows:
- 7 g. The lowa department of economic development authority,
- 8 created in section 15.105, which has primary responsibility
- 9 for programs for carrying out ensuring that the economic
- 10 development policies of the state are effectively and
- 11 efficiently carried out.
- 12 Sec. 54. Section 15.327, Code 2011, is amended by adding the
- 13 following new subsection:
- 14 NEW SUBSECTION. 01. "Authority" means the economic
- 15 development authority created in section 15.105.
- 16 Sec. 55. Section 15.327, subsection 5, Code 2011, is amended
- 17 by striking the subsection.
- 18 Sec. 56. Section 15E.1, Code 2011, is amended to read as
- 19 follows:
- 20 15E.1 Definition.
- 21 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise
- 22 requires, "department" "authority" means the lowa department of
- 23 economic development authority created in section 15.105.
- Sec. 57. Section 15E.64, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 25 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 26 a. The chairperson of the lowa economic development board
- 27 authority or a designee of the chairperson.
- 28 Sec. 58. Section 15E.64, subsection 3, Code 2011, is amended
- 29 to read as follows:
- 30 3. After incorporation, the initial board of directors
- 31 shall be elected by the members of an appointment committee.
- 32 The members of the appointment committee shall be appointed by
- 33 the Iowa economic development board authority. The initial
- 34 board of directors shall consist of five members. The persons
- 35 elected to the initial board of directors by the appointment

- 1 committee shall include persons who have an expertise in
- 2 the areas of the selection and supervision of investment
- 3 managers or in the fiduciary management of investment funds,
- 4 and other areas of expertise as deemed appropriate by the
- 5 appointment committee. After the election of the initial
- 6 board of directors, vacancies in the board of directors of the
- 7 corporation shall be elected by the remaining directors of
- 8 the corporation. Members of the board of directors shall be
- 9 subject to any restrictions on conflicts of interest specified
- 10 in the organizational documents and shall have no interest in
- 11 any venture capital investment fund allocation manager selected
- 12 by the corporation pursuant to the provisions of this division
- 13 or in any investments made by the Iowa fund of funds.
- 14 Sec. 59. Section 15E.120, Code 2011, is amended by adding
- 15 the following new subsection:
- 16 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. On the effective date of this Act, the
- 17 economic development authority shall assume responsibility for
- 18 the administration of this section.
- 19 Sec. 60. Section 15E.202, subsection 9, Code 2011, is
- 20 amended by striking the subsection.
- 21 Sec. 61. Section 15E.202, subsection 10, Code 2011, is
- 22 amended to read as follows:
- 23 10. "Economic development board authority" or "authority"
- 24 means the economic development board authority created pursuant
- 25 to section 15.103 15.105.
- Sec. 62. Section 15E.206, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 27 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 28 a. The chairperson A member of the economic development
- 29 board authority chosen by the members of the authority or a
- 30 designee of the chairperson member.
- 31 Sec. 63. Section 15E.206, subsection 3, paragraphs a and d,
- 32 Code 2011, are amended to read as follows:
- 33 a. After incorporation, such a corporation shall be
- 34 organized by an initial board of directors as provided in
- 35 chapter 490, division II. The initial board of directors shall

- 1 be elected by the members of an appointment committee. The
- 2 members of the appointment committee shall be appointed by
- 3 the economic development board authority. The initial board
- 4 of directors shall consist of seven members. The members of
- 5 the appointment committee shall include persons who have an
- 6 expertise in areas of banking, agricultural lending, business
- 7 development, agricultural production and processing, seed and
- 8 venture capital investment, and other areas of expertise as
- 9 deemed appropriate by the interim board of directors.
- d. The department shall assist the incorporators and the
- 11 appointment committee in any manner determined necessary and
- 12 appropriate by the economic development board authority and the
- 13 director of the department authority in order to administer
- 14 this section.
- 15 Sec. 64. Section 15E.208, subsection 3, paragraph b,
- 16 subparagraph (2), subparagraph division (d), Code 2011, is
- 17 amended to read as follows:
- 18 (d) Notwithstanding any provision of this division to
- 19 the contrary, the corporation shall repay the department of
- 20 economic development, or its successor entity, the principal
- 21 balance of the Iowa agricultural industry finance loan
- 22 beginning on October 1, 2007. The principal balance of
- 23 the loan equals twenty-one million five hundred seventeen
- 24 thousand two hundred thirty-nine dollars. The corporation
- 25 shall repay the department of economic development, or its
- 26 successor entity, five hundred seventeen thousand two hundred
- 27 thirty-nine dollars by October 1, 2007, and for each subsequent
- 28 year the corporation shall repay the department, or its
- 29 successor entity, at least one million dollars by October
- 30 1 until the total principal balance of the loan is repaid.
- 31 This subparagraph division shall not be construed to limit
- 32 the department's authority of the department of economic
- 33 development, or its successor entity, to negotiate the payment
- 34 of interest accruing on the principal balance which shall be
- 35 paid to the department as provided by an agreement executed by

- 1 the department of economic development and the corporation.
- 2 Sec. 65. Section 15E.208, subsection 4, paragraph c, Code
- 3 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 4 c. A member of the economic development board authority, an
- 5 employee of the department of economic development authority,
- 6 an elected state official, or any director or other officer or
- 7 an employee of the corporation.
- 8 Sec. 66. Section 15E.351, subsection 1, Code 2011, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 1. The department economic development authority shall
- 11 establish and administer a business accelerator program
- 12 to provide financial assistance for the establishment and
- 13 operation of a business accelerator for technology-based,
- 14 value-added agricultural, information solutions, alternative
- 15 and renewable energy including the alternative and renewable
- 16 energy sectors listed in section 476.42, subsection 1,
- 17 paragraph "a", or advanced manufacturing start-up businesses
- 18 or for a satellite of an existing business accelerator. The
- 19 program shall be designed to foster the accelerated growth of
- 20 new and existing businesses through the provision of technical
- 21 assistance. The department, subject to the approval of the
- 22 economic development board, authority may provide financial
- 23 assistance under this section from moneys allocated for
- 24 regional financial assistance pursuant to section 15G.111,
- 25 subsection 9.
- Sec. 67. Section 15F.101, Code 2011, is amended by adding
- 27 the following new subsection:
- NEW SUBSECTION. 01. "Authority" means the economic
- 29 development authority created in section 15.105.
- 30 Sec. 68. Section 15F.101, subsection 2, Code 2011, is
- 31 amended by striking the subsection.
- 32 Sec. 69. Section 15G.101, Code 2011, is amended by adding
- 33 the following new subsection:
- NEW SUBSECTION. 01. "Authority" means the economic
- 35 development authority created in section 15.105.

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- 1 Sec. 70. Section 15G.101, subsection 3, Code 2011, is
- 2 amended by striking the subsection.
- 3 Sec. 71. Section 15G.101, subsection 6, Code 2011, is
- 4 amended by striking the subsection.
- 5 Sec. 72. Section 15G.115, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 6 2011, is amended by striking the paragraph.
- 7 Sec. 73. Section 15G.201, Code 2011, is amended by adding
- 8 the following new subsection:
- 9 NEW SUBSECTION. 01. "Authority" means the economic
- 10 development authority created in section 15.105.
- 11 Sec. 74. Section 15G.201, subsection 2, Code 2011, is
- 12 amended by striking the subsection.
- 13 Sec. 75. Section 97B.1A, subsection 8, paragraph a, Code
- 14 2011, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 15 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (12) Persons employed by the economic
- 16 development authority on or after July 1, 2011.
- 17 Sec. 76. Section 260F.2, Code 2011, is amended by adding the
- 18 following new subsection:
- 19 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. "Authority" means the economic
- 20 development authority created in section 15.105.
- 21 Sec. 77. Section 260F.2, subsection 4, Code 2011, is amended
- 22 by striking the subsection.
- 23 Sec. 78. Section 260G.4C, Code 2011, is amended to read as
- 24 follows:
- 25 260G.4C Facilitator.
- 26 The department of economic development authority shall
- 27 administer the statewide allocations of program job credits
- 28 to accelerated career education programs. The department
- 29 authority shall provide information about the accelerated
- 30 career education programs in accordance with its annual
- 31 reporting requirements in section 15.104, subsection 8 15.107B.
- 32 Sec. 79. Section 260G.6, subsection 4, Code 2011, is amended
- 33 to read as follows:
- 34 4. In order to receive moneys pursuant to this section,
- 35 a program agreement approved by the community college board

- 1 of directors shall be in place, program capital cost requests
- 2 shall be approved by the Iowa economic development board
- 3 authority created in section 15.103 15.105, program capital
- 4 cost requests shall be approved or denied not later than sixty
- 5 days following receipt of the request by the department of
- 6 economic development authority, and employer contributions
- 7 toward program capital costs shall be certified and agreed to
- 8 in the agreement.
- 9 Sec. 80. Section 403.19A, subsection 2, Code 2011, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 2. a. An eligible city may apply to the department of
- 12 economic development to be designated for designation as a
- 13 pilot project city pursuant to this subsection. An eligible
- 14 city is a city that contains three or more census tracts and is
- 15 located in a county meeting one of the following requirements:
- 16 (1) A county that borders Nebraska.
- 17 (2) A county that borders South Dakota.
- 18 (3) A county that borders a state other than Nebraska or
- 19 South Dakota.
- 20 b. (1) The department of economic development shall approve
- 21 four eligible cities as pilot project cities, one pursuant to
- 22 paragraph "a", subparagraph (1), one pursuant to paragraph
- 23 "a", subparagraph (2), and two pursuant to paragraph "a",
- 24 subparagraph (3). If two eligible cities are approved which
- 25 are located in the same county and the county has a population
- 26 of less than forty-five thousand, the two approved eligible
- 27 cities shall be considered one pilot project city. If more
- 28 than two cities meeting the requirements of paragraph "a",
- 29 subparagraph (3), apply to be designated as a pilot project
- 30 city, the department of economic development shall determine
- 31 which two cities hold the most potential to create new jobs or
- 32 generate the greatest capital within their areas. Applications
- 33 from eligible cities filed on or after October 1, 2006, shall
- 34 not be considered.
- 35 (2) If a pilot project city does not enter into a

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- 1 withholding agreement within one year of its approval as a
- 2 pilot project city, the city shall lose its status as a pilot
- 3 project city. If two pilot project cities are located in the
- 4 same county, the loss of status by one pilot project city shall
- 5 not cause the second pilot project city in the county to lose
- 6 its status as a pilot project city. Upon such occurrence, the
- 7 department of economic development shall take applications from
- 8 other eligible cities to replace that city. Another city shall
- 9 be designated within six months.
- 10 (3) On the effective date of this Act, the economic
- 11 development authority shall assume responsibility for the
- 12 administration of this subsection.
- 13 Sec. 81. Section 496B.2, Code 2011, is amended by adding the
- 14 following new subsection:
- 15 NEW SUBSECTION. 01. "Authority" means the economic
- 16 development authority created in section 15.105, or any entity
- 17 which succeeds to the functions of the authority.
- 18 Sec. 82. Section 496B.2, subsection 2, Code 2011, is amended
- 19 by striking the subsection.
- 20 Sec. 83. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. Sections 15.116, 15.247,
- 21 15.293A, 15.294, 15.335A, 15E.64, 15E.206, 15E.351, 15G.101,
- 22 68B.35, and 308.1, Code 2011, are amended as follows:
- 23 l. By striking from the sections the words "economic
- 24 development board" and inserting in lieu thereof the words
- 25 "economic development authority".
- 26 2. By striking from the sections the word "board", when
- 27 referring to the economic development board, and inserting in
- 28 lieu thereof the word "authority".
- 29 Sec. 84. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. Sections 7C.4A, 7E.5,
- 30 8.6, 8.31, 12.38, 12.73, 15.108, 15.109, 15.115, 15.117A,
- 31 15.247, 15.273, 15.274, 15.293A, 15.294, 15.295, 15.313,
- 32 15.333, 15.335A, 15.393, 15.411, 15.421, 15A.9, 15E.17, 15E.19,
- 33 15E.64, 15E.116, 15E.117, 15E.192, 15E.193, 15E.193B, 15E.194,
- 34 15E.195, 15E.196, 15E.197, 15E.206, 15E.208, 15E.311, 15E.351,
- 35 15F.102, 15G.101, 15G.109, 15G.110, 15G.111, 15H.5, 15H.6,

- 1 16.100A, 16.135, 16.191, 19B.7, 22.7, 28I.8, 28J.28, 28L.1,
- 2 28N.2, 28N.3, 73.16, 73.17, 73.18, 73.19, 73.20, 84A.1A, 84A.5,
- 3 84A.6, 99F.6, 99F.11, 123.143, 123.183, 159.18, 159.20, 159A.3,
- 4 159A.6B, 184.6, 185.3, 185C.10, 231.51, 239B.8, 239B.17,
- 5 256.31, 256.39, 256.40, 260C.18A, 260F.6, 260F.6B, 260F.7,
- 6 260G.3, 260G.4B, 260G.4C, 260G.6, 262.34A, 262B.3, 268.4,
- 7 303.3B, 303.3C, 306D.2, 307.49, 307C.3, 321.19, 321.252, 335.8,
- 8 352.4, 368.9, 403.19A, 403.21, 403.22, 404A.4, 422.16A, 422.33,
- 9 427B.1, 455B.199B, 455B.433, 455E.11, 455J.6, 461A.79, 461A.80,
- 10 465A.2, 465B.3, 466B.3, 483A.24, 496B.3, 496B.6, 496B.12,
- 11 496B.17, Code 2011, are amended as follows:
- 12 1. By striking from the sections the words "department of
- 13 economic development" and inserting in lieu thereof the words
- 14 "economic development authority".
- 15 2. By striking from the sections the words "Iowa department
- 16 of economic development" and inserting in lieu thereof the
- 17 words "economic development authority".
- 18 3. By striking from the sections the word "department",
- 19 when referring to the department of economic development, and
- 20 inserting in lieu thereof the word "authority".
- 21 Sec. 85. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. Sections 15E.231, 15E.232,
- 22 15E.233, 15G.110, 15G.111, 15G.114, 15G.115, 159A.6B, 266.19,
- 23 455B.104, and 455B.433, Code 2011, are amended as follows:
- 24 1. By striking from the sections the words "grow Iowa
- 25 values fund" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "economic
- 26 development fund".
- 27 2. By striking from the sections the words "grow Iowa values
- 28 financial assistance program" and inserting in lieu thereof the
- 29 words "economic development financial assistance program".
- 30 Sec. 86. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE.
- 31 l. To the extent not amended or identified by the provisions
- 32 of this Act, the Code editor is directed to correct all
- 33 internal references to the economic development board, the
- 34 department of economic development, the director of the
- 35 department of economic development, the grow Iowa values

- 1 fund, and the grow Iowa values financial assistance program
- 2 by replacing such references with references to the economic
- 3 development authority, the director of the economic development
- 4 authority, the economic development fund, and the economic
- 5 development financial assistance program, as is appropriate
- 6 to the context and to the extent that such corrections are in
- 7 conformance with the intent of this Act.
- 8 2. The Code editor is also directed to correct in the same
- 9 manner all similar references in any enacted Iowa Acts as
- 10 necessary.
- 11 DIVISION V
- 12 INDUSTRIAL NEW JOBS TRAINING
- Sec. 87. Section 260E.7, Code 2011, is amended to read as
- 14 follows:
- 260E.7 Department of economic development Program review by
- 16 economic development authority.
- 17 1. The lowa department of economic development authority,
- 18 in consultation with the department of education, the
- 19 department of revenue, and the department of workforce
- 20 development, shall coordinate and review the new jobs training
- 21 program. The Iowa department of economic development authority
- 22 shall adopt, amend, and repeal rules under chapter 17A that the
- 23 community college will use in developing projects with new and
- 24 expanding industrial new jobs training proposals and that the
- 25 economic development authority shall use to review and report
- 26 on the new jobs training program as required in this section.
- 2. a. The authority, in consultation with the community
- 28 colleges participating in the new jobs training program
- 29 pursuant to this chapter, shall identify the information
- 30 necessary to effectively coordinate and review the program, and
- 31 the community colleges shall provide such information to the
- 32 authority. Using the information provided, the authority, in
- 33 consultation with the community colleges, shall issue a report
- 34 on the effectiveness of the program.
- 35 b. In coordinating and reviewing the program, due regard

- 1 shall be given to the confidentiality of certain information
- 2 provided by the community colleges, and the authority shall
- 3 comply with the provisions of section 15.118 to the extent
- 4 that such provisions are applicable to the new jobs training
- 5 program.
- 6 3. The department authority is authorized to make any rule
- 7 that is adopted, amended, or repealed effective immediately
- 8 upon filing with the administrative rules coordinator or at
- 9 a subsequent stated date prior to indexing and publication,
- 10 or at a stated date less than thirty-five days after filing,
- ll indexing, and publication.